Accreditated dope testing laboratory

1850. SHRI S.S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is fact that there is no DOPE testing laboratory in India meeting international standard and/or recognised by International Olympic Association;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the steps contemplated, if any, for elimination of inadequacy in such an important infrastructure in the sports sector; and

(d) whether Government have been seeking co-operation of the autonomous sports bodies in this regard and if so, the details thereof and the response of those bodies?

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI VIKRAM VERMA): (a) to (d) Sports Authority of India (SAI) has a Dope Control Centre in New Delhi. However, this Centre is yet to be accredited by Medical Commission of the International Olympic Committee (IOC). For accreditation of the Medical Commission of IOC, ISO 9001 and ISO 17025 certifications are mandatory requirements. The Dope Control Centre at SAI has received ISO 9001 certification in December, 2002 and is in the process of getting ISO 17025 certification, which would facilitate early accreditation of the Dope Control Centre of SAI.

Pathetic conditions of former sports persons

1851. SHRI M.V. RAJASEKHARAN:
SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that a number of sportspersons, who once earned laurels to the country in International Sports events are now languishing in penury;

(b) if so, whether Government have identified such sportspersons;

(c) if so, the details in this regard, State-wise; and

(d) whether there is any proposal to ameliorate their economic conditions by instituting pension or extending some grants to them?

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI VIKRAM VERMA): (a) to (d) The Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports runs the Scheme National Welfare Fund for Sports persons whereunder, a pension up to Rs.2500/- p.m., and lump sum financial assistance of up to Rs.40.000/- can be sanctioned to the outstanding national and international players, placed in indigent circumstanes, i.e. whose monthly income, from all sources, is less than Rs.3,000/-. The state-wise names of sportspersons, presently receiving pension, under the scheme, are given below:

Name of States	Name of Pensioners	Amount of monthly pension
Andhra Pradesh	Shri Abul Hassan Ahmed	Rs.2000/-
	Shri A. Sussey	Rs.2000/-
	Shri Babu Lai	Rs.2000/-
	Shri Kamineni Eswara Rao	Rs.2500/-
	Shri S. Bhujanga Rao	Rs.2000/-
	Shri Syed Mohammed Ali	Rs.2000/-
Delhi	Smt Bhagwan Devi	Rs.2500/-
Gujarat	Smt. Ramiben K. Nakum	Rs.2000/-
Karnataka"	Shri Abdul Karim	Rs.2000/-
	Shri E.Ramakrishna Rao	Rs.2000/-
	Shri H. Loknath	Rs.2000/-
	Shri H.L. Prabhakar	Rs.2000/-
	Shri M.Gabriel	Rs.2000/-
	Shri M.J. Rathnam	Rs.2500/-
	Shri N. Pappanna	Rs.2000/-
	Shri N.S. Francis Xavier	Rs.2000/-
	Shri Y.H. Yantatta	Rs.2000/-
	Shri P.Rathanam	Rs.2000/-
Kerala	Shri C.P.Chandran	Rs.2000/-

Name of States	Name of Pensioners	Amount of monthly pension
	Shri K.Balagopal	Rs.2000/-
	Shri Mohamed Kokadan	Rs.2000/-
	Shri N.Jayaraman	Rs.2000/-
	Shri O.K.Sathyan	Rs.2000/-
	Shri P.Ravindran-i	Rs.2000/-
	Shri P. Ravindran-ii	Rs.1500/-
	Shri S.George	Rs.2000/-
	Shri V.Sivaraman	Rs.2000/-
	Shri T.I. Chacko	Rs.2000/-
	Shri V.B.Pillai	Rs.2000/-
	ShriV.Govardhanan	Rs.2000/-
	ShriT.A.Rehman	Rs.2000/-
Madhya Pradesh	ShriN.S.Thakur	Rs.2000/-
Maharashtra	Smt. Kusum K. Jadav	Rs.2500/-
	Shri Ram Chandra B. Parab	Rs.2000/-
	Shri S.L. Verma	Rs.2000/-
Orissa	Shri Prabhunath Patra	Rs.2000/-
	Shri Rajayya Bosi	Rs.2000/-
	Shri Raghunath Mohapatra	Rs.2000/-
	Shri Saik Babu	Rs.2000/-
	Smt. Sarojani Behera	Rs.2000/-
	ShriB.N.Mohapatra	Rs.2000/-
Punjab	Shri Gurdev Singh	Rs.2000/-
Tamil Nadu	Smt. C.K.K.Pillai	Rs.2000/-
	ShriV.Mookan	Rs.2500/-
Uttar Pradesh	Shri S.A.Naim	Rs.2000/-
West Bengal	Smt. Rikta Dhar	Rs.2000/-
	Smt. Ram Rati Devi	Rs.20007-
	Ms.Soma Bose	Rs.2000/-